Dear ~~Kathy~~ Kevin Walker 12/13/75

Forget about the 25¢ difference.

But do not forget that I am not surrendering any of my rights to any or my work. I've a bellyfull of tapes and letters from people all around the country indignant over Mark's disgusised and poorly disgyised taking of personal credit for what he steals. I'M also going to take no more of his cheap tricks with kids that do get back to me. He's been threatening to sue since I had to abandone my own second book and take after and silence Wesley Liebeler who called Mark a liar. Mark said he'd sue and that is one of the countless ones he dare not file. But somehad to stop the hurt from Liebeler's endless and successful cracks aver Mark's inability to cope with his own ethocs and emotional problems. He didn'd discover the wheel or invent sex.

If I had an hour a day more in which to work for each time he's pretended that my shaking the executive transcripts alone loose I'd get much more done.

He may be unwilling because he has this sick concept of self, aggravated by his having done nothing but make the same stupid errors from ignorance and lack of concern but the result is harmful to all others and one way or another it is going to stop. If those of you who work with him lack the principle and the decency I'll seek my own way as soon as I have recovered enough. Few as are the time I get on the Hill I get the backlash of all of this and it is damaging.

You please tell Mark for mexx that the next time I get a single report of his pretending he has done my work or the next time I hear any of his cowardly bullshit about sueing me I'll write and take my time with and distribute a letter thatx he will have to live with. He is so consumed with himself and his ambition that he thinks he'll continue getting away with all this unconscionable behawior on both the personal and professional levels he has come to believe he is god. He forgets I have files, tapes of meetings with him where he admits- nay brags that stealing is right and proper, makes the ~~mmx~~ most childish explanations of amatuerish plagiarism. If he wants this dumped on him - and I haven't done it for the years I could- all he need do is continue his career of self (alone) promotion at the cost of the work of others and the jeopardy it means to our being successful when we have a chance.

I'm sorry I didn't think to make a carbon for him. This second illness of the year has weakened me much. I haven't yet gotten over the effects of the strain of what I did to Belin tha forced him to come out for a new investigation. I can't walk or stand much and I stay tired. But what Mark has done and the rest of ~~xx~~ us, rather than endanger all have let him get away with, is going to stop and it is the kind of thing that will generate all the adrenalin I need for it. I've just gotten a tape from San Franscisco where he even claims to have done Groden's work in trick language. "We" did it, he said with the editorial I. On that one he really let his crooked character loose and if I have to clobber him with it I will.

I don't want to. I want to be able to continue doing the kind of work that he and his ilk can't do, never have done and steal. But I really mean it that all this rottenness essential to his self-concept has got to stop. There is no reason why he can't, for example, attrubute his sources. Save that a few people might get the notion that he didn't do all the work that has been done.

The reaction I got on the Hill the parts of two days I was there this week, not his childishness about suing me, is what imepls me to put it up to you who work with him to make the effort to make him honest, foreign as it is to his entire record in the field. It endangers us, as his ignorance booby-traps t ose he is supposed to be helping.

Do your think, individually and collectively. But do it honestly. And if for a minute you think what I say is at all exaggerated, come on up and get disillusioned. You'll get sick if you have any personal decency. Despite your reaction when Zodiac asked me to cover your meeting I do not assume you to be dishonest. But remember you are part of this incredible dishonesty. As an honest man you might consider turning it toward honesty. Nobody can do it completely with Mark because he is incapable of it.

Sorry about the typos, Harold